



# Tarcutta School News

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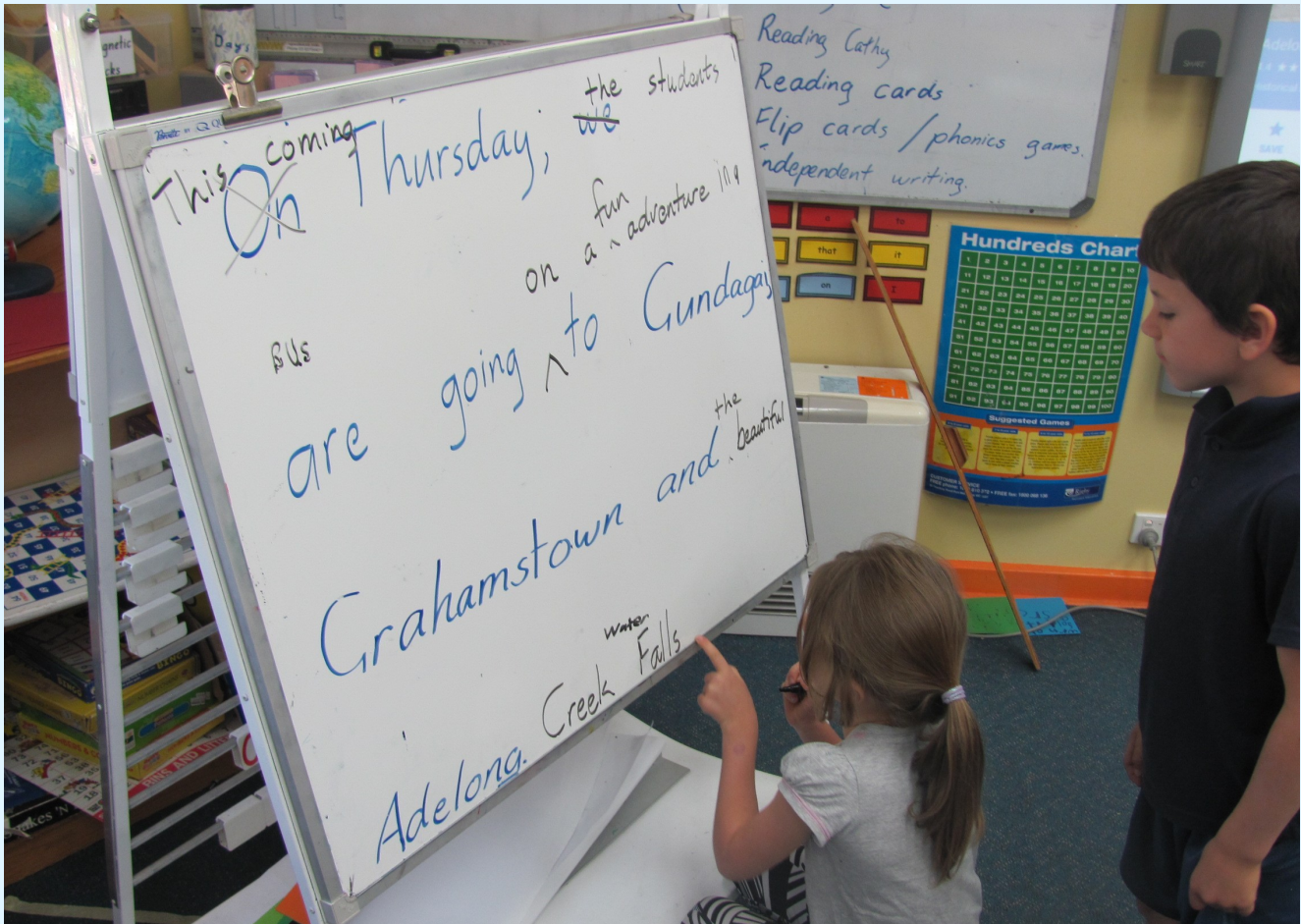
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WEEK 3 TERM 4

24 OCTOBER 2017

## Co-operative Writing and Sentencing Expansion



Students have been working co-operatively to enhance their writing skills. This follows input from the State government's Early Action for Success Initiative that has dramatically improved our students reading and writing results.

### EXCURSION TO GUNDAGAI—THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER

Students will be heading to Gundagai, Tumblong and Adelong Falls this Thursday to discover the changes that Gold has made to these towns and compare this to what happens in Tarcutta. Students will be walking around the gaol and courthouse in Gundagai, observing the remains of the water races in Grahamstown and exploring the ruins of Adelong Falls before returning to Tarcutta. Students will need to have a *broad brimmed hat, a packed recess and lunch, water bottle and wear closed-in shoes.*

### COMBINED SMALL SCHOOLS' BALLARAT EXCURSION

On Wednesday, 1st November, **Dakota** and **Emmilly** will be joining students from our small schools' network for an excursion to Ballarat. We hope they have a fantastic time discovering more about the Goldfields and enjoy catching up with friends from other schools while making new friends, too! We look forward to hearing what they have to say and show when they return.

## DIARY DATES

### TERM 4

26/10/17	Adelong/Gundagai Excursion
27/10/17	Mobile Library
1/2/3 November	Combined Small Schools' Excursion Bendigo/Ballarat/Echuca—Yrs 4,5,6
8/11/17	Kindergarten Transition 9.00-11.30am
9/11/17	P&C Meeting—3.30pm
10/11/17	Mobile Library
11/11/17	Remembrance Day
15/11/17	Kindergarten Transition 9.00-11.30am
22/11/17	Kindergarten Transition 9.00-1.00pm
24/11/17	Mobile Library
29/11/17	Kindergarten Transition—Full Day
6/12/17	Kindergarten Transition—Full Day
7/12/17	Community of Small Schools— Year 6 Farewell—Wagga Boat Club
8/12/17	Mobile Library
14/12/17	Presentation Night
15/12/17	Last Day of School Term 4

### REGULAR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	Student Banking
THURSDAY	Scripture Lessons
FRIDAY	Bluearth

## TRANSITION TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

Tarcutta Public School is looking for interested parents who have a child starting Kindergarten in 2018, to be a part of the school's Transition to School Program. It is planned that the program will run for five Wednesdays from Week 5. The program focuses on encouraging the children to be independent and introduces them to routines and early literacy and numeracy concepts. All of these are taught in a caring and friendly environment. At the completion of the program, the children feel more confident to enter the school environment full time.

Children who attend the program can come to school on the following days:-

Wednesday 8/11/17	9.00am-11.30am
Wednesday 15/11/17	9.00am-11.30am
Wednesday 22/11/17	9.00am-1.00pm
Wednesday 29/11/17	Full day
Wednesday 6/12/17	Full day

There is no cost for this program. They will need to bring a piece of fruit, a healthy morning tea, lunch and drink. A hat is essential, also.

If you are interested in this program, please contact the school on 69 287191.



## STEM PRIMARY PROGRAM SHOWCASE

Mr Carroll will be presenting Dakota's year-long science observations using the remote camera on Friday, 27th October to an audience in Wagga Wagga. Her research into the wildlife and large animal life that visit the school has been surprising.

The one day Showcase will feature presentations from other STEM Academy partner schools from Wagga Wagga who participated in the inaugural STEM Academy program for primary schools.

Dakota and Tara appreciate the assistance they received from Darren at the Riverina Environmental Educational Centre.



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## FAT FIFTY READING CHALLENGE



**Congratulations** to the book worm who has already read 1000 pages this term and then shared her book with Mr Carroll. Also, congratulations to the two families who have already read 25 books this term—that is half the Challenge!

A reminder for families is that the 'Fat Fifty Reading Challenge' is to read only one (but more is encouraged) book a night. 'The Fine Thirty' is for the students who are reading longer books and the 'Big Book Bash' is to read a 120 page book a week.

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## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos were taken today—these will be sent home to families who placed an order when they are received from MSP Photography.

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## ASTHMA

Asthma season is upon us and students who are susceptible to asthma need a current asthma action plan completed and signed by your doctor. A form can be downloaded from the National Asthma Council website—[nationalasthma.org.au](http://nationalasthma.org.au)

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## RECORDERS

Students are busily practising their recorders for the end-of-year concert. Apologies for the mental anguish and discomfort you may be experiencing while they practise at home! We hope it all comes together and you enjoy their presentation at the concert.

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## P&C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be held on **Thursday 9th November** at 3.30pm. All welcome!

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**Flower Nurturing ...** Students have shown a lot of interest in how the seedlings they planted with Mrs Lustenberger have grown so quickly in four short weeks. They are eager to check and water them daily!



## Russ the Story Bus .....



Today, we visited Ladysmith Public School to participate in the visit by 'Russ the Story Bus' as part of the 2017 Children's Festival of Moving Stories. We were able to listen to author, Samantha Turnbull, as she presented an engaging talk about story telling and viewed the many books inside the bus.



## Ladysmith Duathlon 2017 5 November

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## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Music by  
Troy Fisher &  
Bec Hennessy

**SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER (3pm—late)**

We extend an invitation to the community of Tarcutta and surrounds to celebrate with us the Christmas season, and utilise our newly refurbished outdoor family area. We would love you to join us for a family friendly afternoon.

- Santa visit
- Face painting
- Live music
- Jumping Castle
- Dinner available

